

**Los Angeles County
Veterans Advisory Commission
Recommendation #10**

WHEREAS, on August 2, 1990, the Government of Iraq invaded and annexed the sovereign nation of Kuwait resulting in the unanimous passage of United Nations Security Council Resolution 660 condemning the attack;

WHEREAS, on August 7, 1990, the United States of America and coalition forces began staging a defensive buildup in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia known as Operation Desert Shield;

WHEREAS, on January 17, 1991, Operation Desert Storm began as an extensive aerial campaign as Iraq failed to withdraw its military forces from Kuwait by the imposed deadline in United Nations Security Council Resolution 678;

WHEREAS, on February 24, 1991, Operation Desert Sabre launched as a coalition ground offensive resulting in a 100-hour land war that liberated Kuwait from Iraqi occupation;

WHEREAS, major combat operations in Operation Desert Storm ended on February 28, 1991;

WHEREAS, of the nearly 700,000 Americans who participated in Operation Desert Storm, 147 died in battle, 151 died as a result of non-combat accidents, and 467 were wounded according to the Department of Defense¹; and,



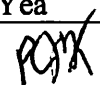
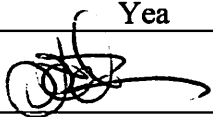
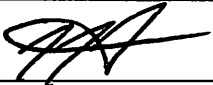
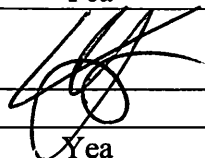
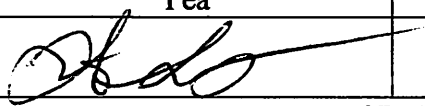
WHEREAS, February 28, 2026 will mark the 35th anniversary of Operation Desert Storm.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ON DECEMBER 17, 2025:

The Los Angeles County Veterans Advisory Commission recommends that the Board of Supervisors coordinate with the Consulate General of the State of Kuwait in Los Angeles to host a joint 35th anniversary ceremony honoring the actions of U.S. Servicemembers in Operations Desert Shield, Desert Storm and Desert Sabre.

¹<https://dcas.dmdc.osd.mil/dcas/app/conflictCasualties/gulf/stormsum>

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